

Samira Bano Ali, Ph.D., L.M.S.W.

EDUCATION

- 07/13-07/15 **Postdoctoral Research Fellow**
McSilver Institute for Poverty Policy and Research
Silver School of Social Work, New York University
- 05/2014 Ph.D. **Social Welfare, University of Pennsylvania, School of Social Policy and Practice**
Dissertation Title: *A Family-Based Sexual Health Communication Intervention with Sex Worker Mothers in Kolkata, India*
- 05/2006 M.S. **Social Work, Columbia University, School of Social Work**
Advanced Generalist Practice & Programming
Concentration in health and mental health
- 05/2004 B.A. **Psychology and Law & Society, Purdue University, School of Liberal Arts**

RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Sexual health
- Community-led Structural Interventions
- Methods: Mixed Methods; Community-based participatory research

CURRENT POSITION

- 08/15-present **Assistant Professor**
Graduate College of Social Work
University of Houston

SELECTED RESEARCH GRANTS & EXPERIENCE

- 12/17-12/20 **Center Director/Principal Investigator**
SUSTAIN Wellbeing COMPASS Coordinating Center
Funded by Gilead Sciences, Inc. (\$5 million)

- 09/17-09/20 **Evaluator**
Project CORE: Improving HIV Health Outcomes through the Coordination of Supportive Employment and Housing Services
Funded by the Health Resources & Services Administration (H97HA31464), Special Projects of National Significance, HIV/AIDS Bureau (\$900,000) (sub-contract)
- 01/17-02/19 **Co-Principal Investigator**
The development of a cultural humility curriculum for HIV service providers
Funded by AIDS United (\$30,000) (sub-contract)
- 09/15-09/18 **Principal Investigator**
SMART Cougars PLUS: Substance Use, Mental Health, and HIV/AIDS Risk Assessment and Testing PLUS
Funded by the U.S Department of Health and Human Services, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Administration (1H79SP020184) (\$900,000)
- 09/15-09/17 **Principal Investigator**
SMART Cougars: Substance Use, Mental Health, and HIV/AIDS Risk Assessment and Testing PLUS
Funded by the U.S Department of Health and Human Services, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Administration (\$900,000)
- 01/16-present **Principal Investigator**
Exploring the Dynamics between Sexual Health and Acculturation among South Asian Young Adults in the United States
Funded by the University of Houston, New Faculty Grant Program (\$6,000)
- 02/14-06/16 **Lead Qualitative Investigator**
Coping with Struggles in New York City
Funded by the Institute of Human Development and Social Change, New York University (\$20,000)
Principal Investigators: Mary McKay, Ph.D.; Robert Walker, Ph.D.
- 06/13-09/13 **Qualitative Consultant**
Attitudes and Beliefs about the Implementation of a Child-Welfare Based Natural Mentoring Intervention for Older Foster Youth
Funded by the University of Pennsylvania Research Foundation (\$30,000)
Principal Investigator: Johanna Greeson, Ph.D.
- 06/11-12/13 **Principal Investigator**
Exploring Mother-Child Sexual Health Communication in the Sex Worker Community in Kolkata, India
Funded by the Leboy-Davies Fellowship

- 06/11-12/13 **Principal Investigator**
A Family-based Sexual Health Communication Intervention for the Sex Worker Community in Kolkata, India
 Funded by the Graduate and Professional Student Assembly Provost Award & Center for Advanced Study on India
- 07/09-01/16 **Research Coordinator**
Examining Housing as a Structural Intervention for Homeless Released Female Prisoners Living with HIV/AIDS
 Principal Investigator: Toorjo Ghose, Ph.D.
 Funded by the University of Pennsylvania Research Foundation & MAC AIDS Foundation Grant
- 06/06-04/08 **Research Assistant**
Mount Sinai School of Medicine, New York, New York
Collaborative HIV Prevention and Adolescent Mental Health Program for HIV+ Youth (CHAMP+): Supporting HIV-infected Youth and Families
 Principal Investigators: Mary McKay, Ph.D., Claude Mellins, Ph.D., Elaine Abrams, M.D.
 Funded by the National Institute of Mental Health (R34 MH072382 01A1-02)
- 09/05-05/06 **Research Assistant**
Mount Sinai School of Medicine, New York, New York
Community HIV/AIDS Adolescent Mental Health Project In Our Neighborhoods (CHAMPIONS)
 Principal Investigator: Mary McKay, Ph.D.
 Funded by the National Institute of Mental Health (RO1 MH069934)

PUBLICATIONS

A. Peer-Reviewed Manuscripts

1. Ghose, T., **Ali, S.**, Shubert, V., Stanton, M., Walker, L. & Chaudhuri, S. (in press). 'It's my room and my life': The mechanism through which housing shapes antiretroviral medication adherence for women with HIV recently released from incarceration. *Journal for Healthcare of the Poor and Underserved*.
2. **Ali, S.**, Chaudhuri, S., & Ghose, T. (revise and resubmit) The unspoken mother: Perspectives about motherhood from sex worker mothers in Kolkata, India. *Affilia: Journal of Women and Social Work*.
3. Lukasiewicz, K., Sensoy Bahar O., **Ali S.**, Gopalan P., Parker G., Hawkins R., McKay M., Walker R. (in press). Getting by in New York City: Bonding, bridging and linking capital in poverty-impacted neighborhoods, *City & Community*.
4. **Ali, S.**, Bahar, O., McKay, M., & Walker, R. (2018). "Feeling less than a second class citizen": Examining the emotional consequences of poverty in New York City. *Journal of Family Issues*.

5. **Ali, S.**, Ohls, C., Parker, G., & Walker, R. (2018) Rationalizing poverty in New York: Tales from the middle class. *Journal of Poverty*.
6. Ghose, T., **Ali, S.**, & Keo-Meier. (2018). Diversity in social work doctoral programs: Mapping the road ahead. *Research on Social Work Practice*, 28(3), 265-271.
7. **Ali, S.**, Rawwad, T., Leal, R., Wilson, M., Mancillas, A., Keo-Meier, B., & Torres. (2017). SMART Cougars: Development and feasibility of a campus-based HIV prevention intervention. *Journal for the Healthcare for the Poor and Underserved*.
8. Stanton, M. C., **Ali, S.**, & Chaudhuri, S. (2017). Individual, social and community-level predictors of wellbeing in a US sample of transgender and gender non-conforming individuals. *Culture, Health & Sexuality*, 19(1), 32-49.
9. Teitelman, A. M., Bellamy, S. L., Jemmott, J. B., Icard, L., O'Leary, A., **Ali, S.**, ... & Makiwane, M. (2017). Childhood sexual abuse and sociodemographic factors prospectively associated with intimate partner violence perpetration among South African heterosexual men. *Annals of behavioral medicine*, 1-9.
10. Kim, M., **Ali, S.**, & Kim, H. S. (2016). Parental Nonstandard Work Schedules, Parent–Child Communication, and Adolescent Substance Use. *Journal of Family Issues*, 37(4), 466-493.
11. Swendeman, D., Fehrenbacher, A., **Ali, S.**, Mindry, D., Collins, M., & Ghose, T. (2015). Whatever I have, I have made by coming into this profession: The intersection of resources, agency, and achievements in pathways to sex work in Kolkata, India. *Archives of Sexual Behavior*. 44(4), 1001-23.
12. Greeson, J., Thompson, A., **Ali, S.**, Wenger, R. (2015). It's good to know that you got somebody that's not going anywhere: Attitudes and beliefs of older youth in foster care about child welfare-based natural mentoring. *Children and Youth Services Review*, 48, 140-149.
13. Ghose, T., Chowdhury, A., Solomon, P., & **Ali, S.** (2015). Depression and anxiety among HIV-positive sex workers in Kolkata, India: Testing and modifying the Hospital Anxiety Depression Scale. *International Social Work*, 58(2), 211-222.
14. Greeson, J., Thompson, A. Evans-Chase, M., & **Ali, S.** (2015). Child welfare professionals' attitudes and beliefs about child-welfare based natural mentoring for older youth in foster care. *Journal of Social Service Research*, 41(1), 93-112.
15. **Ali, S.**, Ghose, T., Jana, S., & Chaudhuri, S. (2014). Exceeding the Individual: A qualitative Examination of a Community-Led Structural Intervention and Its Implications for Sex Workers and Their Families. *Global Social Welfare*, 1(2), 53-63.
16. Parker, G., **Ali, S.**, Ringell, K., & McKay, M. (2014). Bi-directional exchange: the cornerstone of globally focused social work. *Global Social Welfare*, 1(1), 1-8.

B. Under Review

1. Ghose, T., Stanton, M., **Ali, S.**, Chaudhuri, S., & Shubert, V. (under review). Pathways to voting behavior among formerly homeless people with HIV/AIDS: the role of social service supported advocacy engagement. *AIDS Care*.
2. Stanton, M., **Ali, S.**, Malik, F., Shubert, V., & Keo-Meier, B., (under review). Understanding the experiences of LGBT asylum seekers: Needs upon arrival and implications for social service organizations. *International Journal of Social Welfare*.

C. In Preparation

1. **Ali, S.** A community and family based sexual health communication with the sex worker community in Kolkata, India. *AIDS and Behavior*.
2. **Ali, S.** Governmentality on the ground: Insights from New York City. *British Journal of Social Work*.

REPORTS

1. **Ali, S.**, Stanton, M., & Malik, F, Shubert, G. (2016). The LGBT Asylum Project: Main findings. A report to Housing Works Community Agency.
2. Stanton, M., **Ali, S.**, Shubert, G. (2017). Voting and Advocacy among People Living with HIV: Main Findings. A report to Housing Works Community Agency.

MEDIA

Ali, S. & Brooks, D. (2018). *Ending the AIDS Epidemic Starts in Houston*. Op-ed. Houston Chronicle.

Outsmart Magazine (2018). It's going to get worse. Article can be retrieved from <http://www.outsmartmagazine.com/2018/01/its-going-to-get-worse/>

SUSTAIN COMPASS Coordinating Center Media Coverage

- KPRC-TV NBC
 - [KPRC-TV NBC_2](#)
 - Online: [UH to host panel discussion on HIV/AIDS cases in Texas, US](#) (By Brenda Carden)
- KRIV-TV FOX
 - [KRIV-TV FOX 26](#)
- [CBS 11 \(KHOU-TV\)](#)
 - Online: [UH gets millions to help fight HIV/AIDS](#)

Houston CityBook. *The Battle Rejoined*. Project CORE. Retrieved <http://www.houstoncitybook.com/the-battle-rejoined/>

PEER-REVIEWED PRESENTATIONS

1. **Ali, S.** & Keo-Meier. (2018). *Understanding sexual health among South Asian young adults*. Presentation accepted for presentation at the 2018 Social Work, Education and Social Development.
2. **Ali, S.** & Keo-Meier. (2018). *The SASH Project: A holistic approach to conceptualizing South Asian Sexual Health*. Poster accepted for presentation at the 2018 Social Work, Education and Social Development.
3. Azhar, S., **Ali, S.**, & Murugan, V. (2018). *Challenges in offering social services to the South Asian community*. Roundtable presentation at the Society for Social Work and Research Annual Conference, Washington, DC.
4. Stanton, M., **Ali, S.**, Davidson, M., Shubert, G., & Ghose, T. (2018). *Predictors of voting and advocacy engagement among clients of a community-based HIV service organization*. Paper presented at the Society for Social Work and Research Annual Conference, Washington, DC.
5. **Ali, S.**, Stanton, M., Malik, F., & Shubert, G. (2018). *Examining LGBTQ Asylum Seekers' psychosocial stress and individual and collective resilience: An application of the Minority Stress Model*. Paper presented at the Society for Social Work and Research Annual Conference, Washington, DC.
6. **Ali, S.**, Leal, R., & Wilson, M. (2017). *Changing risk while changing structures: The potential of a University-based HIV prevention intervention*. Paper presented at the Society for the Study of Social Problems Annual Conference, Montreal, Canada.
7. **Ali, S.** (2017). *The role of collective action on family well-being among the sex worker community in Kolkata, India*. Paper presented at the Society for the Study of Social Problems Annual Conference, Montreal, Canada.
8. **Ali, S.**, Sensoy Bahar, O. (2017). *Governmentality on the ground: Experiences of individuals living in New York City*. Paper presented at the Policy 2.0 Annual Conference, St. Louis, MI.
9. **Ali, S.**, Al Rawwad, T., Wilson, M., Torres, L., Sotelo, E., Garza, M., & Bordnick, P. (2017). *Changing risk while changing structures: The potential of a university-based HIV prevention intervention*. Poster presented at the Society for Social Work and Research Annual Conference, New Orleans, Louisiana.
10. **Ali, S.**, Malik, F., Stanton, M., & Shubert, G. (2017). *The Needs of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Asylum Seekers in New York City*. Paper presented at the Society for Social Work and Research Annual Conference, New Orleans, Louisiana.
11. **Ali, S.**, Wilson, W., Torres, L., Bordnick, P., Al Rawwad, T., Cross, M., & Sotelo, E. (2016). *Working together: Lessons learned from SMART Cougars, a collaborative sexual health program for young adults*. Paper presented at the American Public Health Association, Denver, Colorado.

12. **Ali, S.** & Ghose, T. (2016). *The role of collective action on family well-being*. Paper presented as part of a Symposium at the 20th Annual Conference on the Society for Social Work and Research, Washington, D.C.
13. Bahar, O., **Ali, S.** Gopalan, P., Lukasiewicz, K., McKay, M., & Parker, G. (2016) *Getting more out of less: Qualitative insights into agency among individuals living in poverty*. Paper presented at the 20th Annual Conference on the Society for Social Work and Research, Washington, D.C.
14. Mercado, M., **Ali, S.**, Gensemer, A., Ringell, K., & Pardo, G. (2016). *Exploring Black and Latino High School Youths' Lived Experiences in Step Up: A Multi-Component Program Applying a Positive Youth Development Lens*. Paper presented at the 20th Annual Conference on the Society for Social Work and Research, Washington, D.C.
15. **Ali, S.**, Bahar, O., Gopalan, P., Lukasiewicz, K., McKay, M., & Parker, G. (2016). Beyond the material dimensions of poverty: A holistic understanding of emotions, strategies, and survival. Poster presented at the 20th Annual Conference on the Society for Social Work and Research, Washington, D.C.
16. **Ali, S.** (2015). Development of a theory-based intervention for families: Implications for International Social Work. Paper presented at the 61st Annual Program Meeting of the Council for Social Work Education, Denver, Colorado.
17. Chaudhuri, S., Stanton, M., **Ali, S.** (2015). Social Work and HIV: Undoing a Discourse of Risk. Paper presented at the 61st Annual Program Meeting of the Council for Social Work Education, Denver, Colorado.
18. **Ali, S.**, Chaudhuri, S., Ghose, T. (2015). *Community and family-based sexual health communication intervention with sex worker mothers: A pilot study*. Paper presented at the 19th Annual Conference of the Society for Social Work and Research, New Orleans, Louisiana.
19. **Ali, S.**, Chaudhuri, S. (2015). *Room for conversation: The salience of space in mother child sexual health communication*. Paper presented at the 19th Annual Conference of the Society for Social Work and Research, New Orleans, Louisiana.
20. Fehrenbacher, A., **Ali, S.**, Ghose, T., Swendeman, D. (2015). *Exploring pathways into sex work, stigma, and risk for HIV among female sex workers in India*. Paper presented at the 19th Annual Conference of the Society for Social Work and Research, New Orleans, Louisiana.
21. Chaudhuri, S., **Ali, S.** (2015). *The expanding CBO: Recognizing need and optimizing resources*. Paper presented at the 19th Annual Conference of the Society for Social Work and Research, New Orleans, Louisiana.
22. Chaudhuri, S., **Ali, S.** (2015). *Structures of violence: Exploring the risk environment of violence in GLBT individuals in India*. Paper presented at the 19th Annual Conference of the Society for Social Work and Research, New Orleans, Louisiana.

23. Stanton, M., Chaudhuri, S., **Ali, S.**, Walker, L., Shubert, G., Ghose, T. (2015). *Beyond risk: experiences of strength and resilience among transgender women living with HIV*. Paper presented at the 19th Annual Conference of the Society for Social Work and Research, New Orleans, Louisiana.
24. **Ali, S.**, Chaudhuri, S. (2014). *We'll do it together: The CBPR process with a sex workers' collective in Kolkata, India*. Paper presented at the 142nd American Public Health Association Annual Meeting and Exposition, New Orleans, Louisiana.
25. Chaudhuri, S., **Ali, S.** (2014). *Environment of violence: Exploring risk of violence in LGBT in India*. Paper presented at the 142nd American Public Health Association Annual Meeting and Exposition, New Orleans, Louisiana.
26. **Ali, S.** (2014). *The process of partnerships: Understanding collaborative research in a postcolonial context*. Poster presented at the 60th Annual Program Meeting of The Council of Social Work Education, Tampa, Florida.
27. **Ali, S.**, Dolui, R., Small, L. (2014). *CBPR process with the sex worker community in Kolkata, India*. Poster and Paper presented at 20th Annual International AIDS Conference, Melbourne, Australia.
28. Parker, G. **Ali, S.**, Rangell, K. (2014). *Global social work education: The development of practitioners in pursuit of social justice and equality or agents of Western economic imperialism?* Paper presented at the Joint World Conference on Social Work Education and Social Development, Melbourne, Australia.
29. Small, L., Pardo, G., Mercado, M., Gopalan, P., **Ali, S.**, McKay, M., Mellins, C. (2014). *Addressing the global needs of HIV-impacted families: How community collaborations modeling the CHAMP family program support perinatally HIV-infected youth entering adolescence*. Paper presented at the Joint World Conference on Social Work Education and Social Development, Melbourne, Australia.
30. Small, L., **Ali, S.**, Mellins, C., McKay, M. (2014). *Incorporating Existing Practice Knowledge into a Global Family-Based HIV Intervention: The community collaborative process of the VUKA Family Program*. Paper Presented at the Third International Conference on Practice Research - Building Bridges Not Pipelines: Promoting Two-Way Traffic Between Practice and Research, New York, New York.
31. **Ali, S.**, Stanton, M., Clarke, M., Shubert, V., Ghose, T., Chaudhuri, S. (2013). *Civic Engagement as a component and outcome of direct services for formerly homeless people with HIV/AIDS*. Paper presented at the Association for Research on Nonprofit and Organizations and Voluntary Action 42nd Annual Conference, Hartford, Connecticut.
32. Stanton, M., Ghose, T., **Ali, S.**, Shubert, V., & Walker, L. (2013). *Housing as a structural intervention for transgender and gender non-conforming PLWHA: Promoting positive health behaviors*. Paper presented at the American Public Health Association 141st Annual Meeting and Exposition, Boston, Massachusetts.

33. Stanton, M., Walker, L., **Ali, S.**, Ghose, T., & Shubert, V. (2013). *Trans-competent housing for women living with HIV*. Paper presented at the North American Housing and HIV/AIDS Research Summit VII, Montreal, Canada.
34. **Ali, S.**, Robinson, K., Ghose, T., Shubert, V., & Stanton, M. (2013). *Understanding needs and outcomes: Examining a transitional housing program for women living with HIV*. Paper presented at the North American Housing and HIV/AIDS Research Summit VII, Montreal, Canada.
35. **Ali, S.** (2013). *Community-based participatory research with Durbar: Working with sex workers and their families in India*. Center for the Advanced Study on India Student Research Panel, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.
36. **Ali, S.** (2012, September). *Exploring mother-child sexual health communication in the sex worker community in Kolkata, India*. The Graduate and Professional Student Assembly and Provost Interdisciplinary Award Reception, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.
37. Fehrenbacher, A., **Ali, S.**, Ghose, T., Swendeman, D. (2012). *Exploring pathways into sex work, stigma, and risk for HIV among female sex workers in India*. Poster presented at the 19th Annual International AIDS Conference, Washington, D.C.
38. Kim, M., **Ali, S.**, Kim, H. (2012). *Parental work schedules, parent-child communication, and adolescent risk behaviors*. Poster presented at the Work and Family Researchers Network Conference, New York, New York.
39. **Ali, S.**, Ghose, T., Shubert, V. (2011). *CBPR Process - Healthy Transitions: Housing as a structural intervention with women who are HIV positive and have been recently released from jail/prison*. Oral workshop presented at the 15th Annual United States Conference on AIDS, Chicago, Illinois.
40. **Ali, S.**, Ghose, T., Shubert, V. (2011). *Healthy Transitions: Housing as a structural intervention with women who are HIV positive and have been recently released from jail/prison*. Paper presented at the National AIDS Housing Coalition Fifth Research Summit, New Orleans, Louisiana.
41. **Ali, S.**, Ghose, T., Lawentaal- Schori, M., Shubert, V. (2011). *Promoting HAART adherence among the homeless: Housing as a structural intervention for People Living with HIV/AIDS*. Paper presented at the 15th Annual Conference of the Society for Social Work and Research, Tampa, Florida.
42. Robinson, K., **Ali, S.**, Shubert, V. (2010). *The implementation of data collection technology & the process associated with a research study*. Paper presented at the National AIDS Housing Coalition Fourth Research Summit, Toronto, Canada.
43. Ghose, T., **Ali, S.**, Shubert, V. (2010, June). *The Women's Transitional Housing Program: results from a pilot study*. Poster presented at the National AIDS Housing Coalition Fourth Research Summit, Toronto, Canada.

44. Ghose, T., Shubert, V., Penna, J., **Ali, S.**, Lawentaal- Schori, M. (2009). *The effectiveness of transitional housing in achieving viral suppression for homeless people living with HIV: A pilot study*. Paper presented at the National AIDS Housing Coalition Third Research Summit, Washington, D.C.
45. Alicea, S., **Ali, S.**, Brackis-Cott, E., Marhefka, S., Kang, E., Mellins, C., McKay, M. (2008). *Process evaluation of the adaptation of an evidence-based HIV intervention for a vulnerable population: HIV+ youth and their families*. Paper presented at the 12th Annual Conference of the Society for Social Work and Research, Washington D.C.
46. Alicea, S., Rivera-Rodriguez, A., **Ali, S.**, Bannon, W., & McKay, M. (2006). *Creating and testing mechanisms for meaningful collaboration between members of urban communities and HIV prevention researchers*. Paper presented at the Annual National Conference on Social Work and HIV/AIDS, Miami, Florida.
47. **Ali, S.**, Alicea, S., Watson, J., McKay, M. (2006). *Community partnerships to prevent urban HIV Risks (CHAMPIONS)*. Poster presented at the First Annual Health Disparities Conference at Teachers College, Columbia University, New York, New York.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- 08/18-12/18 **Instructor, Graduate College of Social Work, University of Houston**
 08/16-12/16 Social Welfare Policy Analysis (Doctoral) (SOCW 8334)
 08/17-12/17
- 08/15-12/15 **Instructor, Graduate College of Social Work, University of Houston**
 01/17-05/17 Advanced Social Policy Analysis (SOCW 7367)
- 08/15-12/15 **Instructor, Graduate College of Social Work, University of Houston**
 08/16-12/16 Strategies for Community Development (SOCW 7335)
 08/17-12/17
- 09/14-12/14 **Instructor, Silver School of Social Work, New York University**
 Global Perspectives in International Social Policy (UNDSW-US 66-001)
- 01/13-05/13 **Teaching Assistant, School of Nursing, University of Pennsylvania**
 Designing Interventions to Promote Health and Reduce Health Disparities (NURS 823)
 Instructors: Loretta Jemmott, Ph.D. & Anne Teitelman, Ph.D.
- 09/11-05/12 **Teaching Assistant, School of Social Policy and Practice, University of Pennsylvania**
 Foundations of Social Work Practice (SW 604)
 Instructor: Toorjo Ghose, Ph.D.

06/10-07/10 **Instructor, Penn in New York Summer of Service for High School Students**
Research Methods

ACADEMIC MENTORING

2015-present Becca Keo-Meier, MSW/Social Work Doctoral Student
Member of qualifying paper and dissertation committee

2015-present Tamara Al Rawwad, Social Work Doctoral Student
Member of qualifying paper and dissertation committee

2017-2018 Toni Templeton, College of Education Doctoral Student
Member of dissertation committee

2015 Yi Ren, PhD, Social Work Doctoral Student
Member of dissertation committee

SELECTED PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

09/14-05/15 **Social Work Field Instructor**
Silver School of Social Work
New York University, New York, New York

09/12-05/13 **Social Work Field Instructor**
School of Social Policy and Practice
University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

06/09-09/09 **Project Coordinator**
06/10-09/10 *Housing as a Structural Intervention*
School of Social Policy and Practice
University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

06/06-07/08 **Clinical Case Manager**
Advocate Supervisor
Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA), New York, New York

AWARDS & SCHOLARSHIPS

2015, 2016 **Provost Faculty Travel Award**
University of Houston

- 2013 **Doctoral Student Poster Competition Award**
Global Health & Well-Being: The Social Work Response, New York University
- 2008-2013 **Doctoral Student Fellowship**
University of Pennsylvania
- 2011 **Heyer Foundation Graduate Fellowship**
University of Pennsylvania, School of Social Policy and Practice
- 2009-2010 **Foreign Language and Area Studies Scholarship**
United States Department of Education
- 2002-2004 **Residence Hall Counselor Scholarship**
Purdue University

SERVICE

Graduate College of Social Work

- 2015-present Member, Macro Concentration Curriculum Committee
- 2016-2017 Member, Doctoral Program Committee
- 2015-2016 Member, MSW Admissions Committee

Social Work Profession

- 2017-2019 **Consulting Editor**
Affilia: Journal of Woman and Social Work
- 2012-present **Ad-hoc Reviewer**
International Social Work Journal
American Journal of Public Health
Global Social Welfare
AIDS and Behavior
Journal for the Healthcare for the Poor and Underserved

Community/Partnerships

- 2017 Founding Member, South Asian Youth Unite in Houston (www.sayhu.org)
Funded by the Simmons Foundation (\$30,000)
- 2017 Community Partner, AIDS Foundation Houston
- 2017 Community Partner, Legacy Community Health, Houston, Texas

- 2016-present Co-Chair, Social Determinants of Health Committee
Policy and Research Working Group
Road Map to Ending AIDS in Houston Committee Member
- 2016-present Community Partner, Fundación Latinoamericana De Acción Social (FLAS), Houston, Texas
- 2015-present Community Partner, Avenue 360, Houston, Texas
- 2011-present Community Partner, Durbar Mahila Samanwaya Committee, Kolkata, India
- 2009-present Community Partner, Housing Works, New York, New York

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS/LICENSURE/CERTIFICATION

- 2014 Certification, Seminar in Field Instruction, New York University, School of Social Work
- 2008-present Licensed Master Social Worker - License # 076764, State of New York
- 2013-present Member, Council on Social Work Education
- 2008-present Member, Society of Social Work Research